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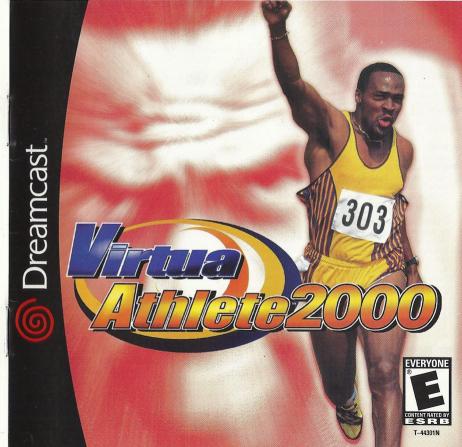


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Some small number of people are susceptible to epileptic seizures or loss of consciousness when exposed to certain flashing lights or light patterns that they encounter in everyday life, such as those in certain television images or video games. These seizures or loss of consciousness may occur even if the person has never had an epileptic seizure.

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- Sit a minimum of 6.5 feet away from the television screen. This should be as far as the length of the controller cable.
- . Do not play if you are tired or have not had much sleep.
- . Make sure that the room in which you are playing has all the lights on and is well lit.
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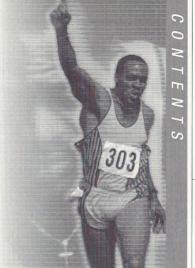
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Thank you for purchasing Virtua Athlete 2000. Please note that this software is designed only for use with the Sega Dreamcast console. Be sure to read this instruction manual thoroughly before you start playing Virtua Athlete 2000.

#### SAVING

Virtua Athlete 2000 is a memory card compatible game [Visual Memory (VM) unit sold separately]. The following amount of blocks of available space are required to saye:

- System File "V ATHL2K.SYS": 5 Blocks
- Player File "V\_ATHL2K.E00 (No.)": 19 Blocks (per athlete)

The game will be saved at the following points:

- After you have completed every event
   When you return to the Mode Selection Screen from Options
- When you return to the Mode Selection Screen after editing athlete data

Press  $\Leftrightarrow$  to select where you want to save your file and press @ to enter your selection. Do not remove the memory card or controller during loading and saving.

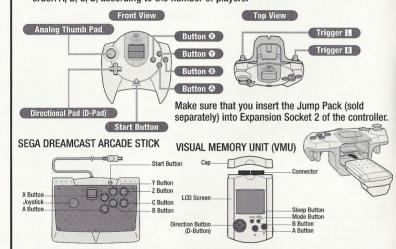




# **BASIC CONTROLS**

# **Sega Dreamcast Controller**

This is a one to four player game. Before switching the Sega Dreamcast power ON, connect Sega Dreamcast Controllers to Control Ports, starting with Port A. Connect in order: A. B. C. D. according to the number of players.



- ¾ To return to the Title Screen at any point during the game, simultaneously press and hold 

  ⑤, ⑥, ⑥, ⑥ and the Start Button.
- \*\* Do not touch the Analog Thumb Pad, or the Triggers while turning the Sega Dreamcast power ON. Doing so may disrupt the controller initialization procedure and result in malfunction.
- ★ You can only play Virtua Athlete 2000 with the Sega Dreamcast Controller and the Arcade Stick. |

# **Mode Selection/Options Controls**

D-PAD	Select an item/Move cursor	***************************************
BUTTON 🛆	Enter an item	
BUTTON ®	Cancel/Return to the previous screen	
BUTTON <b>⊗</b>	Enter an item	
BUTTON 🗘	Not used	
TRIGGERS L/R	Not used	
START BUTTON	Start a game	

 <sup>★</sup> The Analog Thumb Pad is not used.

## **Game Controls**

D-PAD	Aerial control during high jump/Track movement in the 1500m-Rac
BUTTONS ♠/�	RUN: Use in running, jumping and throwing events
BUTTON (B)	ACTION: Use to jump in hurdles, jumping events and to throw in throwing events
BUTTON 🕥	Not used
TRIGGERS L/R	Not used
START BUTTON	Pause a game

 <sup>★</sup> The Analog Thumb Pad can be used instead of the D-Pad during the 1500m-Race and Shot-put.





# **STARTING A GAME**

# **Starting Up & Mode Selection**

Press the Start Button on the Title Screen to display the Memory Card Selection Screen. If you do not have a memory card with a system file already saved, press to select a memory card and press to enter your selection. This will create a

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Title Screen

Memory Card Selection Screen

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new system file. Press to select a memory card if you already have a saved system file, and press to enter your selection. Press to continue regardless of whether a memory card is inserted or not. If you do so, your game results will not be saved.

#### **Game Mode Select**

GAME START

Select "GAME START" to be able to select one of the following (P.6)

**QUICK TOURNAMENT** 

Compete in all seven events

EXHIBITION

Change the game settings to create your own tournament

**PRACTICE** 

Practice one event

PLAYER EDIT

Edit your player (P.10)

**NETWORK RANKING** 

Visit the Virtua Athlete 2000 Homepage (P.13)

**DATA ROOM** 

View all your top records (P.13)

OPTION

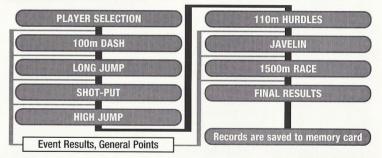
Modify the game settings (P.14)

# **MODE EXPLANATIONS**

## **Game Start**

The selection and game controls for the modes within "GAME START" are all basically the same.

## **OUICK TOURNAMENT**



PLAYER ENTRY

A timer will be displayed in the top right of the screen after a player has entered and selected an athlete. Any other player should enter before the counter reaches 0. There is no time limit to select an athlete.



Press the Start Button on the controller that you intend to use in the events. Next, select an athlete. Press • to select an athlete and press • to enter your selection. Press • to cancel.

See page 6 for more about selecting edited athletes.





QUICK TOURNAMENT

PLAYER ENTRY

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**Edit Athlete Entry** 



To play with an athlete created in PLAYER EDIT (P.10), select and enter either "EDIT DC" or "EDIT VM."

Select this if you don't have a memory card inserted and press to enter your selection.

Note: This athlete's file data will be deleted when you switch your Sega Dreamcast OFF. Also, you will delete previously saved data when you create a new athlete.



Select this if you have already saved an athlete's data to a memory card.



Memory Card Selection Se

Select "EDIT VM" to display the Memory Card Selection screen. Press  $\Longrightarrow$  to select a memory card with saved athlete data and press  $\Longrightarrow$  to enter your selection.

Edit Athlete Selection Press ♣ ♥ to select an athlete and press ໖ to enter your selection. Press ❸ to cancel.

#### EXHIBITION

Select athletes that you have downloaded from the Virtua Athlete 2000 Homepage (P.13), change the number and difficulty of events and other settings to create your own tournament.

#### **PLAYER ENTRY**

A timer will be displayed in the top right of the screen after a player has entered and selected an athlete. Any other player should enter before the counter reaches 0. There is no time limit to select an athlete.

Press the Start Button on the controller that you intend to use in the events. Next, select an athlete. Press 
to select an athlete and press to enter your selection.

Press to cancel.



To select an edited athlete, select and enter either "EDITED DC" or "EDITED VM" in the same way as described in "Edit Athlete Entry" on page 6.





#### **EXHIBITION**

You can modify the rules in EXHIBITION Mode (see screen shot on right). Press ♠ ♥ to select an item and press ♦ to make a modification.

Select a downloaded athlete



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ENTRY SELECTION

Up to 4 Guests can take part. When "GUEST" is highlighted by the cursor, press ■ to select "YES" and press to display the Guest Select Screen. Press ■ to select an entry location, press to select metry location, press to display the Memory Card Selection Screen.



Select an athlete in the same way as you would for "Edit Athlete Entry" (P.6).

MEMORY CARD SELECTION

Press to select a memory card with downloaded athlete data and press to enter your selection.

ATHLETE SELECTION

When the athlete data is displayed, press ♠♣ to select an athlete and press ♠ to enter.

END

When you have finished, either select and enter "OK/EXIT" or press  $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{G}}$ .

NUMBER OF EVENT

Modify the number of events. Select one of following: "NORMAL" (all 7 events), "5" (5 events: 100m-Dash, Long Jump, Shot-put, High Jump and 1500m-Race) and "3" (100m-Dash, Long Jump and Shot-put).

DIFFICULTY

Select one of the following tournament difficulty levels: 1 Friendly (easiest), 2 City Cup, 3 Continental Cup, 4 Inter Continental Cup and 5 World Cup (most difficult).

START

Start a tournament.

Return to the "PLAYER ENTRY" screen.

#### PRACTICE

Play one of the seven events without an opponent. If you break a world record when you are practicing, it will not be recorded.

Press •• to select an event that you would like to practice and press • to enter.

#### PLAYER ENTRY

A timer will be displayed in the top right of the screen after a player has entered and selected an athlete. Any other player should enter before the counter reaches 0. There is no time limit to select an athlete.



Press the Start Button on the controller that you intend to use in the events. Next, select an athlete. Press •• to select an athlete and press • to enter your selection. Press • to cancel.

To select an edited athlete, select and enter either "EDIT DC" or "EDIT VM" in the same way as described in "Edit Athlete Entry" on page 6.

#### EVENT SELECT

Press to select an event and press to enter your selection. Press to return to the Player Entry Screen.



#### GUEST

Play with a downloaded athlete. See "GUEST" on page 8 for more details.

When you have finished, either select and enter "OK/EXIT" or press  $oldsymbol{\Theta}$ .





## **PLAYER EDIT**

Select to display the Save Confirmation Screen. Insert a memory card at this time to display the Memory Card Selection Screen, Press to select a memory card and ♠ to select and enter a



save location. You can overwrite previously saved data if there is already a memory card with a saved location. Select "SAVE" from "APPAREL EDIT & EDIT SAVE" when you are finished and press (a) to save your new settings and modifications. If you do not have a memory card, data will be temporarily saved to your Sega Dreamcast, but will be lost when you switch Sega Dreamcast OFF. Press (a) to return to the Selection Screen.

There must be 17 blocks of available space per athlete data on your memory card. You can save athlete data until your memory card is full.

II NAME

Enter a full name (up to 15 letters).

Select "NAME" to display the name input area on the right.

Input

Press to select a letter and press to enter. Select "shift" to type in lower case.

Delete

Either press (B) or select "BS" and press (A) to delete one letter at a time.

**Enter Your** Name

Select "Enter" when you have finished and press (a) to enter your selection and display the Player Edit Screen. You can not select "Enter" if nothing has been entered in the name entry area, so make sure that vou enter a name.

2 NICKNAME

Enter a nickname of 5 characters or less.

Select "NICKNAME" to display the screen on the right. There will already be a nickname in the nickname input area, so press (B) to delete.



Press to select a letter and press (a) to enter. Select "shift" to type in lower case.



Either press ® or select "BS" to delete one letter at a time.



Select "Enter" when you have finished and press (a) to enter your selection and display the Player Edit Screen. You can not select "Enter" if nothing has been entered in the nickname entry area, so make sure that you enter a name.





Select "NATIONALITY" to display the screen on the right. Press to select a region and press to enter your selection. Next, press not to select a country and press (a) to enter. Press (b) to cancel and return to the Player Edit Screen.



#### 4 PLAYER NUMBER

Select "PLAYER NUMBER" to display the screen on the right. Press to select a number and press to enter. Either press @ or select "BS" to delete one letter at a time. Select "Enter" and press (a) to return to the Player Edit Screen.







5 FACE

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Select a face.

Press when "FACE" is highlighted to display several different faces. Press when you have selected a face. Press the D-Pad to select a face pattern and press to enter.



Select your athlete's favorite sports.

Select "FAVORITE SPORTS" to display the screen on the right. Press to select a sport genre and press to enter. Then press to select a sports icon and press to enter. You may select three identical icons if you choose. Select three icons to finish your favorite sports selection and return to the Player Edit Screen.

## 7 ACCESSORY EDIT & EDIT SAVE

Select this item to change your character's clothing and view his appearance.

Select "ACCESSORY EDIT" to display the screen on the right. Press to select an item and press to make modifications. Select "SAVE" when you are finished and press To return to the Player Edit Screen, either press or select "Back" and press .

GLASSES Sunglasses selection and OFF

UNIFORM Apparel selection

WRIST/L Wrist band selection and OFF

WRIST/R Wrist band selection and OFF

SOCKS Sock selection

SHOES Shoe selection







## **NETWORK RANKING**

Connect to the Network and visit the Virtua Athlete 2000 homepage. You can enter your rankings and download top player data at the VA2K homepage.

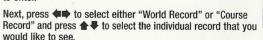
#### **USER REGISTRATION**

You cannot use the NETWORK feature unless you have registered as a user with SEGA. Before playing on the NETWORK, make sure that you register as a user, using the Sega Dreamcast Browser. Refer to the Sega Dreamcast Browser Guidebook for further help. You can obtain the updated Sega Dreamcast Browser from the Official Sega Dreamcast Magazine.

## DATA ROOM

View the general scores and the records for every event.

Select "DATA ROOM" to display the screen on the right. Press to select a memory card with saved records and press to enter.



Select "EXIT" and press  ${\color{orange} \Delta}$  to return to the Game Mode Select Screen.







## OPTION

Virtua Athiete2000 Modify the game settings. Press ♠ ♣ to select an item and press ♠ to make a modification. When you have finished, select "EXIT" and press ♠ to enter.



How to Play

Select to put the instructions for every event ON or OFF.

AUDIO

Set the preferred output to either MONO or STEREO.

BGM

Listen to the background music (BGM). Press (a) to start the music and (b) to stop it.

SE

Listen to the sound effects (SE). Press (a) to start and (b) to stop.

VOICE

Listen to the spoken sound effects. Press (a) to start and (b) to stop.

VIBRATION PACK

Switch the separately sold Jump Pack ON or OFF.

EXIT

Return to the Game Mode Select Screen. Your new settings will automatically be saved.

## THE EVENTS

## Rules

Running events: one attempt

Throwing/Jumping events: 3 attempts. Your result will be the best record of 3 attempts.

If you can not clear the default height in the High Jump on your first try, you will have to continue to attempt that same height until you clear it. Therefore, do not set the height too high before your first jump, as you may score 0 points.

Your attempt will be recorded as a fail if you can not complete a timed event before the stop-clock reaches 0.

Controls

## **Game Screens and Controls**

#### **Running Events**

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World Record

RUN Buttons: 
Press these two buttons to make your athlete run in running, jumping and throwing events.

### **Throwing/Jumping Events**



2 Present Record

ACTION Button : 

Press this button to

Press this button to make your athlete jump in jumping events and the hurdles. Also press it to throw in throwing events.



#### THE EVENTS

# 100m-Dash (Running Event)

## **Game Display**

Time

Stamina Gauge

**Speed Gauge** 



## **Methods and Tips**



Start to press the RUN Buttons repeatedly as soon as you see the signal to "GO!" The faster you press the buttons, the faster your character will run.



Your character will start to lose stamina once he is running at top speed. He will begin to slow down if he runs out of stamina.



Press the ACTION Button before your character crosses the finishing line to make him lunge. Do this in order to shave some precious split seconds off your time.

# 110m-Hurdles (Running Event)

## **Game Display**

Time

**Stamina Gauge** 

Speed Gauge



## **Methods and Tips**



Start to press the RUN Buttons repeatedly as soon as you see the signal to "GO!" The faster you press the buttons, the faster your character will run.



Press the ACTION Button to jump over the hurdles.



Press the ACTION Button before your character crosses the finishing line to make him lunge. Do this in order to shave some precious split seconds off your time.









#### THE EVENTS

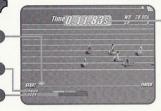
# 1500m-Race (Running Event)

## **Game Display**

**Present Position** 

Stamina Gauge

Speed Gauge



Time

## **Methods and Tips**



Start to press the RUN Buttons repeatedly as soon as you see the signal to "GO!" The faster you press the buttons, the faster your character will run. Your athlete will start to lose stamina when he is running at top speed and will start to slow down if you allow him to run out of stamina.

Press to move your character from lane to lane and around slow runners.



Bear stamina in mind when repeatedly pressing the RUN Buttons, Stamina will recover when these buttons aren't being pressed.

# **Long Jump (Jumping Event)**

## **Game Display**

Remaining Time

Speed Gauge

Angle Gauge



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# **Methods and Tips**



Press the RUN Buttons repeatedly to make your character run. The faster you press the buttons, the faster vour character will run.



Press and hold the ACTION Button when your character reaches the board to make the Angle Gauge rise. Release the ACTION Button at the desired angle.



Release the ACTION Button to select a launch angle. (The ideal angle is 25 degrees.) Press the **ACTION Button again** mid-jump to make your character stretch his legs before landing.

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# **High Jump (Jumping Event)**

## **Game Display**

**Remaining Time** 

**Speed Gauge** 

**Angle Gauge** 



## **Methods and Tips**



Press to select the height of the jump, then press the RUN Button to enter your selection. Next, press to select a starting position.



Press the RUN Buttons repeatedly to make your character run. When your character approaches the bar, press the ACTION Button to jump.



Hold down the ACTION Button to make the Angle Gauge rise. Release the ACTION Button to select an angle and jump. (The ideal angle is 45 degrees.)



As your character is arching over the bar, press to make his legs flick away from the bar. Your timing must be perfect.

# **Shot-put (Throwing Event)**

## **Game Display**

Remaining Time

**Power Gauge** 

Angle Gauge



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## **Methods and Tips**



Throwing strength is displayed through a Power Gauge that moves from left to right. (Maximum power is when the gauge is full.)



Press the ACTION Button or the D-Pad to stop the Power Gauge. Hold down the **ACTION Button and the Angle** Gauge will begin to lower.



Release the ACTION Button to select a launch angle and put the shot. (The ideal angle is 45 degrees.)

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# **Javelin (Throwing Event)**

## **Game Display**

**Remaining Time** 

**Power Gauge** 

Angle Gauge



# Methods and Tips



Press the RUN Buttons repeatedly to make your character run.



Press and hold the ACTION Button before your character reaches the foul line and the Angle Gauge will begin to rise.



Release the ACTION Button to select a launch angle and throw the javelin (The ideal angle is 45 degrees.)

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